



IOWA PUBLIC INFORMATION BOARD — OCTOBER 2016 MEETING

Meeting. The Iowa Public Information Board (IPIB) met on October 20, 2016, in Des Moines. The Board took the following action.

Accepted Cases. The Board accepted one complaint for further review. The complaint alleged a violation of the open meetings law under Iowa Code chapter [21](#). According to the complainant, members of the Chariton Water Board violated Iowa Code section [21.5](#) by improperly initiating a closed session at their September 2016 meeting. The IPIB staff will now work with both parties to try and resolve the complaint.

Dismissed Cases. The Board dismissed nine complaint allegations. The Board found that these cases were either legally insufficient or did not fall under the Board's authority pursuant to Iowa Code chapters [21](#) (Open Meetings) and [22](#) (Open Records).

Probable Cause Review. At its September 2016 meeting, the Board reviewed two contested cases filed against the Department of Public Safety as well as the Department of Criminal Investigation and the Burlington Police Department. Both cases allege public records violations referencing body camera video obtained in a January 2015 shooting of an unarmed woman by a police officer in Burlington, Iowa. The Board sent both contested cases to the Administrative Hearings Division of the Department of Inspections and Appeals in May 2016. In September 2016, the cases were dismissed on grounds of a procedural error. At its October meeting, the Board proposed two separate motions to refile charges in both of these cases. The Board will vote on approving final orders to refile the charges at a special meeting on October 27, 2016.

Final Reports. The Board unanimously voted to adopt final reports for two resolved cases. Parties involved in both cases agreed to and completed the terms of the Board's proposed informal resolutions.

Next Meeting. The special meeting of the Board is scheduled for October 27, 2016, in Des Moines at 1:00 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for November 17, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. in Des Moines.

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